

Fincastle Presbyterian Church

2nd Sunday of Easter
April 19th, 2020 – 10:30am – Live Streaming



Mission Statement

Striving to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ growing in God through uplifting and inspiring spiritual experiences and serving our community in love

Prelude: "Jesus Christ, Our Lord Redeemer"
J. S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1&2 (unison)
O Come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving: let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Prayer of Invocation: *The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min*

Hymn: #254 "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"

Call to Confession: (unison)

If we claim to be sinless, we are self-deceived and strangers to the truth. If we confess our sins, God is just, and may be trusted to forgive our sins and cleanse us from every kind of wrong. Let us admit our sin before God.

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

**Almighty God,
In Jesus Christ you called us to be a servant people, but we do not do what you command. We are often silent when we should speak, and useless when we could be useful. We are lazy servants, timid and heartless, who turn neighbors away from your love. Have mercy upon us, O God, and though we do not deserve your care, forgive us, and free us from sin, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Silent Confession: Amen

Kyrie:

**Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Assurance of Pardon: (unison)

Almighty God, who freely pardons all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; remitting all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience, through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*Gloria Patri: #805

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #549 "Near the Cross"

Prayer of Illumination: *The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min*

Scripture Reading:
Psalm 16 Old Testament Reading
John 20:19-31 New Testament Reading

Sermon: "From Doubt to Great Confession"
The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #243 "Christ Is Alive"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "Christ is risen from the dead"
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Announcements

Prayer Concerns: Al Frederick, Jean Branscom, Laura Holt, Jackie Ferrel, Holly Myers (*Ty's daughter*), Ruth Schaaf (*Bev's mother*), Mary Lee Reese, Mary Black, Audrey Brizendine (*Evelyn's friend*), Clyde & Nathalie Givens, Vaughn Bozman (*Gwen Griffith's brother*), Kaki Peaslee, Doug Ross, Dianne Poyner, Marilyn Koch (*Lisa's Mom*), Janet Woolwine (*Carolyn's Sister*), Neal Brush, Alexis Porter (*The Porter's granddaughter*), Molly Rose (*Valerie Lucas's cousin*), Gwen Griffith, Kerri Summerlin (*Carolyn Knicely's niece*), Gretchen Greiner, Bob Waid, John Poyner, Family of Toney Fitterer, Family of Helen Ronk, Julie Amoroso (*Beth Clark's Sister*)

Members: Please like Fincastle Presbyterian Church on Facebook.

Birthdays: John Griffith 4/3, Rick Vari 4/9, Marissa Schade 4/16, Craig Leisure 4/21, Marilyn Tomblin 4/22, Debbie Coots 4/25

First Scripture Reading:

Psalm 16

¹ Preserve me, O God, for in thee I take refuge. ² I say to the Lord, "Thou art my Lord; I have no good apart from thee." ³ As for the saints in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight. ⁴ Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their libations of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips. ⁵ The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; thou holdest my lot. ⁶ The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage. ⁷ I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. ⁸ I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also dwells secure. ¹⁰ For thou dost not give me up to Sheol, or let thy godly one see the Pit. ¹¹ Thou dost show me the path of life; in thy presence there is fulness of joy, in thy right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Second Scripture Reading:

John 20:19-31

¹⁹ On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." ²² And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe." ²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." ³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven 254

... so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death. Heb. 2:14



1. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heaven and voic - es raise:
2. Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:
3. Christ is ris - en, we are ris - en! Set your hearts on things a - bove:
4. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high!



sing to God a hymn of glad - ness, sing to God a hymn of praise;
see the an - cient powers of e - vil in con - fu - sion and re - treat;
there in all the Fa - ther's glo - ry lives and reigns our King of love;
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior who has gained the vic - to - ry!



he who on the cross a vic - tim for the world's sal - va - tion bled,
once he died, and once was bur - ied: now he lives for - ev - er - more,
hear the word of peace he brings us, see his wound - ed hands and side;
Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, fount of love and sanc - ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.
Je - sus Christ the world's Re - deem - er, whom we wor - ship and a - dore.
now let ev - ery wrong be end - ed, ev - ery sin be cru - ci - fied.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia to the Tri - une Maj - es - ty!



549 Near the Cross

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. Jn. 19:25

1. Je - sus, keep me near the cross: there a pre - cious foun - tain,
 2. Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;
 3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;
 4. Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,

free to all, a heal - ing stream, flows from Cal - vary's moun - tain.
 there the bright and morn - ing star sheds its beams a - round me.
 help me walk from day to day with its shad - ows o'er me.
 till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.

Refrain

In the cross, in the cross, be my glo - ry ev - er,

till my rap - tured soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.



joy we share, as we tar - ry there, none oth - er has ev - er known.

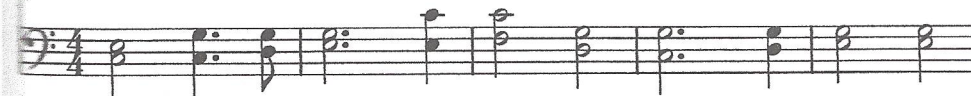


Christ Is Alive! 243

"I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive forever and ever!" Rev. 1:18



1. Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
2. Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3. Not throned a - far, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
4. In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
5. Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
 scorn or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 this and ev - ery age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now and touch - ing ev - ery place and time.
 midst of life, our Sav - ior in the God - head reigns.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

